HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 148

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the Lexington High School softball team upon winning the 2022 TSSAA Division I, 3A State Championship.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those student athletes who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as true champions of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, proving themselves to be the fiercest of competitors and, as such, deserving of the highest regard, the Lexington High School softball team captured the 2022 Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) Division I, 3A State Championship; and

WHEREAS, the crowning championship victory came at the end of a banner season in which the Lady Tigers had an overall record of 49-1 and were ranked first in the State of Tennessee and eighth in the nation; and

WHEREAS, the 2021-2022 Lady Tigers softball team also broke school records—both for most wins in a season and most homeruns in a game, with sixty-four; and

WHEREAS, the outstanding group of seniors who led the Lady Tigers to victory were Kennedy Brown, Kyrsten Brown, Cadey McDaniel, Gracy Moling, and Jadyn Yarbro; all of these young women have gone on to play collegiate softball at their respective schools; and

WHEREAS, the exceptional underclassmen of the 2022 championship team were juniors Mykenzi Duke, Kylie Waldrep, Madelynn Mooney, Marley Maness, Brooklyn Hollingsworth, Brookly Wood, and Summer Foley; sophomores Shay Hollingsworth, Kailyn Melton, Ashlei Bryant, and Mya Beers; and freshmen Kinley Melton, Lauren Johnson, Haylee

Moody, Belle Powers, Emma Grice, Madison Middleton, Holly Bartholomew, and Ava Wallace; and

WHEREAS, the 2021-2022 Lady Tiger softball team benefited from the dedicated leadership of Head Coach Blake Burke; assistant coaches Caitlin Woods, Kelcey Brown, and Samantha Scott; and Becca Halters, who served as team manager; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Lexington High School softball team epitomize all that is good in today's student athletes, as they have achieved a premier level of success in competition while exhibiting the highest degree of character in all aspects of life; and

WHEREAS, the perseverance, determination, work ethic, and talent of these young women not only made possible a championship season but also surely bode well for their future success; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to pause in their deliberations to acknowledge and applaud the members of the 2021-2022 Lexington High School softball team for their outstanding performance and for serving as examples of the exceptional quality of the youth of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate the Lexington High School softball team on winning the 2022 TSSAA Division I, 3A State Championship and extend our best wishes for every continued success in all future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.

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